

STATE OF MONTANA



Governor's Proclamation



WHEREAS, hunting, firearms, and shooting sports are part of the history, tradition, and culture of Montana; and

WHEREAS, increasing access to education and shooting sports provides opportunities for more Montanans to safely learn to shoot and responsibly participate in shooting sports with family, friends, and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks Department is not only responsible for the sound management and conservation of wildlife, but also for educating the public on principles of ethical hunting, firearms safety, and responsible firearm use; and

WHEREAS, many Montana residents, from grandchildren to grandparents to all ages in between, participate in hunting and shooting sports every year; and

WHEREAS, hunting and shooting sports contribute over \$320 million annually to Montana's economy; and

WHEREAS, in August 2022, organizations, businesses, and individuals will come together to recognize National Shooting Sports Month and highlight shooting sports activities enjoyed by millions of Americans;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Greg Gianforte, Governor of the State of Montana, do hereby proclaim August 2022

NATIONAL SHOOTING SPORTS MONTH

in Montana to encourage the people to safely participate in hunting and shooting sports.

GREG GIANFORTE
Governor